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Ms. Cynthia Brown, Chief Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, SW Washington, DC 20423-0001 ENTERED
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Rc: V&S Railway, LLC, Petition for Declaratory Order

STB Finance Docket No. 35459

Dear Ms. Brown:

We have been retained to represent Hutchinson Transportation Company, Inc., Hutchinson Salt Company, Inc., and BNSF Railway Company, which have a direct interest in the Petition for Declaratory Order filed on December 28, 2010 by V&S Railway, LLC ("V&S Railway") in the above-captioned proceeding. We disagree with V&S Railway's position in this matter and look forward to participating in this proceeding in accordance with any procedural schedule that may be established by the Board for the submission of evidence and argument in response to the Petition.

Sincerely,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE STB Finance Docket No. 35459**

I, Edward J. Fishman, hereby certify that on January 18, 2011, the attached Notice of Appearance has been served on the following parties, via electronic mail:

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